# DEFENDANTS' EXHIBIT 31

## Transcript of the Testimony of

### **MARLIN NABORS**

July 1, 2025

# STUDENTS FOR JUSTICE IN PALESTINE AT PITT VS UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH



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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

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CIVIL ACTION NO. 2:25-CV-00524

STUDENTS FOR JUSTICE IN

PALESTINE AT PITT,

Plaintiff,

VS.

UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH; JOAN

GABEL, MARLIN NABORS, KARIN

ASHER, DaVAUGHN VINCENT-BRYAN,

MATTHEW LANDY, and JAMEY MENTZER,)

all in their official and
individual capacities,

Defendants.

# DEPOSITION OF MARLIN NABORS VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE

DEPOSITION taken before me, Mary J. Carney, a Notary Public within and for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, via Zoom videoconference, beginning at 11:07 a.m. on July 1, 2025, pursuant to Notice and to be used pursuant to the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure in the aforesaid cause of action, pending in the United States District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania.

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1	released from further deliberation without
2	decision, and that the entire proceeding be
3	vacated as null and void." Did I read that
4	correctly?
5	A. Yes.
6	Q. When it says, "Under the
7	circumstances presented here," what does
8	that refer to?
9	A. The improper communications, the
10	concern about the interference with the
11	conduct process.
12	Q. Those concerns were great enough to
13	abort the February 4 process?
14	A. Yes.
15	Q. It says, "the current Conduct
16	Hearing Board be dismissed and released
17	from further deliberation without
18	decision." Do you know how much progress
19	that first hearing board had made on a
20	decision?
21	A. I know that they were in
22	deliberations.
23	Q. Do you know whether they put pen to
24	paper?
25	A. I don't know the answer to that.

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1	Q. So you don't know whether or not
2	they started an opinion or a decision or
3	findings?
4	A. I don't.
5	Q. Did you ask them?
6	A. I only was interested at that time
7	about whether or not they had reached a
8	decision, and they had not.
9	Q. We'll explore that in a little bit.
LO	As you sit here now, are you aware of any
L1	draft findings that the first panel made?
L2	A. I have not seen any draft findings
L3	that the panel made.
L4	Q. Are you aware whether they made
L5	draft findings?
L6	A. No.
L7	Q. So just to clarify that, the
L8	consequences identified in this Nabors
L9	Exhibit 1, the interim, the new charges,
20	interim suspension and aborting of the
21	first process were all caused by a
22	combination of the Open Letter and the
23	students' comments at the February 4
24	hearing; is that a fair statement?
25	A. I'm sorry, can you say that again?